

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

West Hartsville Elementary

Darlington

Grades: 4-5 **Enrollment: 180**

Principal: Kay S. Howell

Superintendent: Dr. Rainey H. Knight

Board Chair: Connell Delaine

PERFORMANCE

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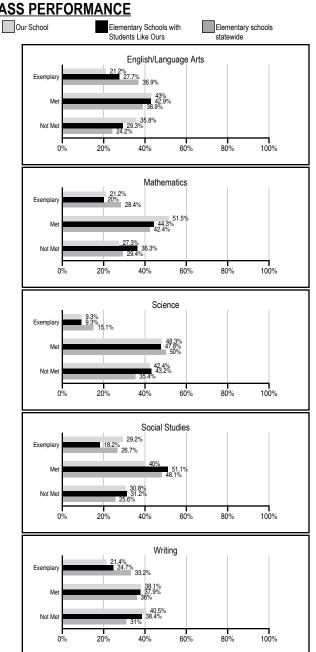
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Met	R-DELAY
2008	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	R
2007	Below Average	Average	Silver	N/A	Not Met	R

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	5	83	28	4

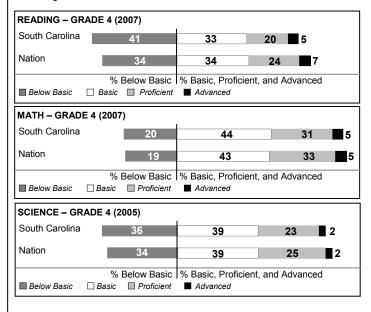
^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.





NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=180)				
Retention rate	0.6%	Up from 0.5%	2.5%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.8%	Down from 96.9%	96.0%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	6.0%	Up from 3.9%	6.2%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	10.9%	Down from 17.4%	9.0%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	0.0%	Down from 1.0%	0.7%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=19)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	57.9%	Up from 23.8%	57.1%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	68.4%	Down from 71.4%	76.6%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	70.9%	Up from 64.4%	84.7%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.6%	Down from 96.2%	95.0%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,104	Up 9.4%	\$46,051	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	18.7 days	Up from 16.1 days	11.7 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	6.0	Up from 5.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.9 to 1	Up from 11.5 to 1	18.0 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.8%	Down from 90.1%	89.9%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Up from Fair	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Average	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,458	Down 6.6%	\$7,754	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	60.5%	Down from 62.1%	68.1%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	57.2%	Down from 57.4%	62.2%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met * Length of contract = 185+ days.	100.0%	Up from 70.6%	100.0%	100.0%

Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	16	91	44
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93.8%	85.7%	75.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	94.4%	83.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	81.3%	95.6%	88.1%

^{*}Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The mission of West Hartsville Elementary School is to provide positive learning experiences in a safe and orderly environment, where students can achieve success in an ever-changing world. Our commitment to this mission is evident every day. The faculty and staff are dedicated to providing the best possible educational opportunities to the children in our care.

During the 2008-2009 school year, our faculty and staff used diagnostic information from Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) to determine each child's strengths and needs. A profile sheet was created for each child, and achievement goals were set in reading and math. Students were awarded a pizza party for reading growth and an ice cream sundae party for mathematics growth.

As we prepare our students for the future, our staff has continued emphasis on balanced literacy, hands on math, writing, social studies, and science instruction. Technology is continuously integrated into all our instructional programs through the use of video streaming, Promethean Boards, and Success Maker.

We are very proud of our accomplishments. Three of our fifth grade students were recognized for all A's for five years. Another student earned a trip to Washington D.C. in August for his academic achievement in science and mathematics. Staff members Julie King and Bonnie Saleeby earned media awards for a math night video and school web page. Stacey Johnson was awarded a camera for her teacher web page and also earned the school a video camera for best school web page. Ashley Gedris' class had several poems published, and her student's essays won an SPC award of \$1000 for West Hartsville. Our school has set high expectations for our children and ourselves. We will continue to strive to meet these expectations in the future.

West Hartsville is an exciting, innovative place where teachers love to teach and students are challenged to achieve. Our school motto is "Where West is Best," and we are moving forward toward being the best!

Gretchen Johnson, School Improvement Chairperson Kay Howell, Ed.D., Principal

^{**} Prior vear audited financial data available